

# Greenbelt News Review

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## Citizens Put Forward Proposals to Keep Co-op Store and Service Station Open

by Leta Mach

Greenbelters packed city council chambers on Monday, January 16, to spend over two hours expressing their anger and shock over Greenbelt Cooperative Inc.'s (GCI) proposed divestiture of its food service and gas station divisions. Perhaps Mat Amberg best expressed the mood of the group when he said to applause, "We may be required to buy back from Co-op what is ours and I don't like that."

While the mood may have been one of "outrage" (the word used by Beatrix Whitehall), the results of the meeting were concrete steps to handle the situation. Mayor Gil Weidenfeld began the "very informal meeting" by hoping that the final objective of the evening would be the formation of a citizens committee to work on the suggestions of the session. Indeed, a sign-up sheet was full by the end of the evening, and the first meeting of the citizens committee had been set for Friday, January 27, at 8 p.m., in the city council chambers. Councilman Thomas White, who chose to sit on the main floor rather than at the council table with the other council members, felt this committee might be unfocused and unproductive. He preferred instead a proposal by Jim Cassels. Weidenfeld, on the other hand, felt the citizens committee could embrace all the other groups working in different ways on the problem.

The group Cassels represented is a committee to preserve Greenbelt facilities which was formed on January 14. The group is interested in continuing some sort of cooperative operation in

Greenbelt. All interested individuals were invited to the committee's next meeting on Friday, January 20 at 8 p.m. in the GHI office building on Hamilton Place. At that time the group plans to set up subcommittees to explore 1) the supermarket, 2) the gas station, and 3) financing arrangements. The group hopes to have information from GCI about money and other requirements to take over these co-op operations in Greenbelt. GCI Director of Education and Membership John Gauci assured those present that GCI was willing to share detailed financial information.

When Tom Martin gained the floor late in the evening, he announced that a committee had already formed and disbanded after setting up a co-op with a board of directors whose objective is to acquire all four gas stations. The group plans to operate on a co-op basis and keep the present staff. They plan a membership recruitment drive soon. Earlier, the importance of the service station as a good one with an honest staff was attested to by Esther Webb. The service station is in the black, asserted Al Herling.

Herling, who was the first speaker, laid out a many-pronged approach which received considerable approval. He suggested three committees to look into three areas which he felt were not mutually exclusive. The following tasks were suggested for these committees: 1) to look at the option offered by GCI to have another co-op take over these services, 2) to set up a liaison with other area co-op councils facing the divestiture, and 3) to look into the serious questions about the legality of the proposed divestiture.

Throughout the evening refer-

ences were made to the problems of the co-op supermarket. Wolfgang Budich said the goal should be "to get the store back into the black figures." He suggested going with the trends toward more health and quality foods. Ruth Bond felt the location of the store was poor because people who didn't know of it couldn't find it. Feeling the approach to the store is unattractive, she said, "We could do much more as a city to improve the area." Many felt closing the bakery was a bad idea and alleged many years of poor management. Retrenchment, explained Gauci, had led to higher employee costs. As stores closed, older full-time employees with more benefits bumped less expensive, newer part-time em-

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### NOTICE

Beginning Monday, January 23 the T-16 Metrobus schedule may vary by one to 5 minutes on the westbound run (New Carrollton to Beltway Plaza). The 5:40 a.m. eastbound bus will arrive one minute earlier from Beltway Plaza.

### MVA Office Moves From College Park

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration facility located for some years on Berwyn Road in College Park, moved on January 17, to new quarters in Largo, Md., and also changed phone numbers.

The new MVA office can be reached from Greenbelt by taking the Capital Beltway south, then turning east on Route 202 (Landover Road) until it intersects Route 214 (Central Avenue). The MVA building is on the left a short distance beyond the intersection. (As another point of reference, the MVA office is less than a mile beyond the Capital Centre.)

The new phone number is 350-9770, and the address is 50 Old Largo Road, Largo, Md. 20772. The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. In addition it will also be open the first Saturday and closed the following Monday of each month during the months of October to June.

### WHAT GOES ON

Fri., Jan. 20, 8 p.m. Committee to Preserve Greenbelt's Co-op Services

8-11 p.m. Teen Super Bowl Dance Party, SHL Rec. Ctr.

Mon., Jan. 23, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tues., Jan. 24, 8 p.m. Clean up Chesapeake Bay Forum.

Sponsored by Delegate Joan Pitkin. Municipal Building

Thurs., Jan. 26, 8 p.m. Aquatic Boosters Club, Youth Center

8 p.m. GHI Board Meeting

## Ten Top Stories of 1983

In accordance with its annual custom, the Greenbelt News Review has selected the ten top Greenbelt stories of 1983. This year the following were chosen, listed in the approximate order of their occurrence.

by Leta Mach, Bill Rowland, Mavis Fletcher and Mary Lou Williamson

### GHI

Although the rehabilitation program of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. will not officially end until June 1984, the program is close enough to completion that outgoing President James Smith leads off May membership meeting with triumphant announcement: "We did it!" The multimillion dollar rehab job, which has transformed the appearance of old Greenbelt housing, winds down in 1983 and leaves time for board of directors and new General Manager Shekar Narasimhan to concentrate on the more pleasant effects of large-scale effort. Eastern Cooperative Housing Organization requests GHI host 1984 annual conference so that its members can get a good look at results of rehab in Greenbelt.

### OVERPASS

The pedestrian overpass for the Baltimore-Washington Parkway becomes a concrete reality as the structure is dedicated early in June. To recognize her crucial role in its construction, the structure is named the Gladys Noon Spellman Trail and Overpass at a ceremony attended by her relatives, friends, officials and city residents. Settlement with Greenbriar residents, however, for land used to make the connecting pathway is pending. In January 1983 a pretrial settlement of \$17,500 is reached with a few residents who appealed the original condemnation and its \$29,000 award.

### DOGS

Citizens band together against owners whose dogs run loose. Three separate incidents illustrate their point. Two young News Review carriers are bitten by dogs; vicious attack by large dog sends mail carrier to hospital and interrupts mail delivery for five days to 8-court Plateau Pl. Community Relations Advisory Board endorses need to update city dog control ordinances, calls for strict enforcement. At October council worksession, city manager's recommendations receive council approval. But by year's end new ordinances are not yet prepared.

### CROSS-BURNING

News of a cross-burning in Greenbelt on June 11 shocks the community more fundamentally than anything in years. In the early morning hours a cross was burned in front of the Lakecrest Drive home of a long-time resident and a home-made explosive device was shoved through the mail slot. Proud of Greenbelt's liberal heritage and its multi-ethnic population, city officials and residents publicly express outrage at this "savagery." Despite a \$500 reward offered by Fire Marshall's office, the crime remains unsolved.

### CENTER SCHOOL

Announcement in July of the Prince Georges County Board of Education's long-overdue plans to update physical plant of Center School by demolishing its 46-year-old structure startles community. Art Deco Society leads high-powered parade of testimony to board of education at August 15 hearing to explain building's architectural importance. Focal point of original planned community and listed on National Historic Register, the school is among top 10 art deco buildings remaining in nation. Board agrees to "modernize" rather than "demolish." Year-end effort by Art Deco Society and city to list Center School on county's Historic Sites and District Plan would provide automatic review of any proposed exterior changes.

### ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT

City begins major effort to control future development by comments on a new draft master plan by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission to amend and update the plan that has been used since 1970 as the official guideline for development. The city's greatest concerns are improving traffic flow, adding single-family detached homes, and reducing residential and commercial development to be allowed on 565 acres of still-vacant land.

New commercial buildings continue to rise. The Holiday Inn-Greenbelt opens for business, as does Greenhorne & O'Mara office building. By year's end the second of six planned Prudential Insurance office buildings is rising in the Golden Triangle, as well as the fourth of eight planned office buildings in Capital Office Park. Also under construction is the second Maryland Trade Center high-rise office structure.

The city is surprised to become home for three small professional office centers — two in east Greenbelt and one on Edmonston Road. It is startled and dismayed — while helpless under county zoning laws except to protest — when Beltway Plaza's owner grudgingly reveals major expansion plans, beginning with construction of a Wendy's restaurant on Greenbelt Rd.

The only new residential development is in the Glen Ora townhouse complex in east Greenbelt. But more housing development is proposed in the townhouse community of Green Holly Woods. Although city accepts that plan it moves swiftly, late in the year, to block traffic-clogging development of Smith-Ewing tract, where current zoning permits construction of over 1000 residential units in high-rise high-density apartments. In the central part of Greenbelt, residential uses for Parcel 15 remain unsettled by year's end.

### POLICE

With three mobile crime watch efforts in operation at year's end in Greenbelt and several more in planning stages, cooperation between citizens and police department has never been closer. Even so, the department finds itself under stress from several causes during 1983. City, police department, police chief and one officer are named in a lawsuit by a Greenbelt resident alleging use of unnecessary force. The City, department and police chief are later exonerated of the charges but the officer as an individual is found liable for damages. Subsequent refusal of insurance companies providing coverage to pay damages judgment leaves Greenbelt police doubtful about their protection by city-purchased insurance. At year's end a group of residents call for an independent evaluation of department to facilitate change in leadership with Chief William T. Lane's July 1984 retirement.

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## Bresler Plan for Development Of Parcel 15 Displeases APB

by Bill Rowland

Proposed development on Parcel 15 and at Beltway Plaza, establishment of city bus service, and a statue to honor Franklin Delano Roosevelt were among topics receiving brief attention from Greenbelt's city council during its regular meeting on January 9.

Council received a report from the city's Advisory Planning Board (APB) recommending disapproval of developer Charles Bresler's new preliminary plan of subdivision for Lakeside West, to be located on Parcel 15 south of Greenbelt Lake and adjacent to the Capital Beltway. The plan proposes 46 detached residential units and 15 townhouse units on the 19.6-acre parcel. Discussion of the plan and the report will be on the agenda for council discussion during the next regular meeting on January 23.

APB in its report says that city concerns expressed to Bresler and his representatives during the past 1½ years, regarding vis-

ual intrusion on the lake area and the impact of Beltway noise on the proposed dwellings, have not been addressed in the new plan. APB also says that land proposed for dedication to the city is poorly located in relation to the lake and its park, and that use of an adjoining 10-acre parcel (located next to the American Legion and understood to have some of the same owners as Parcel 15) is not considered in the plan as a way to reduce density at the lake end of the property.

Beltway Plaza

Councilmember Thomas White proposed that city staff make a

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### THANKS

To the Editor:

Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Trepton and Mr. Goliffe for removing ice and snow from the sidewalk in our court.

Tenants of 51 Crescent Road

### Change Is Inevitable

To the Editor:

The past 40 years I have devoted considerable time to Greenbelt Cooperative, Inc. in a number of different ways to provide services to members, either in a staff capacity or as a volunteer leader and I am currently serving on GCI's Board of Directors. I am committed to cooperatives as an economic alternative, but I am also committed to maintaining our cooperative as a viable organization. The past 40 years have seen enormous change—in our life style, in our needs, and in our attitudes. In most cases we have adjusted to these changes. Our cooperative has resisted drastic change by slowly phasing out losing operations in an attempt to satisfy the clamor from members who view them as a drain on their organization. The voice of those members has now been strengthened by the many voices of more recent patron-members who have assumed active leadership roles in the Cooperative.

Change is inevitable. Let's not waste our energies denouncing and resisting it, but rather working with it to ensure that it is adapted to benefit the citizens of Greenbelt. **Bruce Bowman**

### Seniors Diet Classes At SHL Rec. Center

"Nutrition for Senior Citizens," a six-session course, will be held from 11:15 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. on Mondays, beginning January 23 and ending March 5, at the Greenbelt Department of Recreation in Springhill Lake.

For additional information or a winter class schedule, call 322-0158, P.G. Community College.

### CORRECTION

In Ruth Kastner's article "Proposed Zoning Legislation," one omitted word changed the meaning of a part of the summary of Article VII of the Prince Georges County Charter. The correct statement is: "(Article VII) would permit citizens to petition to referendum any unwanted zoning ordinance amendment, master plan or sectional map amendment." The effect would be to allow citizens a greater hand in the legislative process. Article VII does not allow citizen groups greater participation in zoning cases as was inadvertently implied in last week's story.

### DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETS; COUNTY LEADERS SPEAK

At its next regular meeting on Friday, January 20, the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club of Greenbelt will welcome a panel of directors of various Prince Georges County social service agencies. These administrators will describe the responsibilities and activities of their agencies, discuss issues of current concern to county residents, and respond to questions from those in attendance.

The guest speakers will include: William Welch, Executive Director of the County's Human Relations Commission, who will discuss such subjects as discrimination in housing and employment; Clifton Grandy, Executive Director of the County's Consumer Protection Commission, who will address such topics as consumer fraud, the impact of the AT&T break-up on telephone consumers and the unexpected closing of various area fitness centers/health spas; and Sue Ward, Director of the County's Department on Aging, who will review numerous issues confronting the elderly.

The presentations and panel discussion will follow the regular business meeting of the Democratic Club, which will begin at 8 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building. Light refreshments will be served. For further information, call Joe Isaacs, club vice-president for publicity, at 345-5671.

### GHI NOTES

The GHI Board of Directors will meet Thursday, January 26 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. GHI members are welcome to attend this meeting as well as other regular Board meetings.

Members of frame and brick homes are advised that water beds are not allowed because the weight of a water bed exceeds the maximum load for frame floors. Damage has been found in those homes which had water beds.

Now that winter has arrived, members are reminded that they are responsible for seeing that their own and adjacent inner walkways are cleared of snow and ice.

### CLEANING UP THE BAY

Cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay will be the topic of a public forum to be held in Greenbelt on Tuesday, January 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. "A Citizens' Forum on the Chesapeake Bay — The Prince Georges County Perspective," sponsored by Delegate Joan B. Pitkin, will be an effort to inform citizens about the initiatives of Gov. Harry Hughes toward the cleanup effort.

Speakers will include key officials of state agencies and citizen organizations concerned with Bay matters. Members of the audience will be able to ask questions about what proposed cleanup programs will do, how much they will cost, and who will be affected by them. In addition, the audience will learn what they can do to help in the effort to make the Bay pollution-free.

### SIERRA CLUB HIKERS

#### MEET AT BELTWAY PLAZA

The Sierra Club's Patuxent Group is sponsoring a 7 mile hike along the C & O Canal between Brunswick, Md. and Harper's Ferry on Saturday, Jan. 21. All interested members and non-members should meet in front of the Best Co. at Beltway Plaza at 9 a.m. the day of the hike. Bring lunch. There is a nominal fee. Call Carl at 776-4388 for more information.

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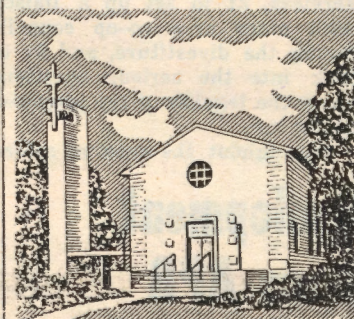
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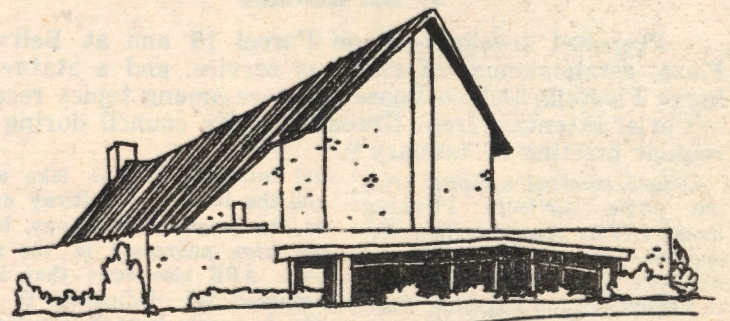
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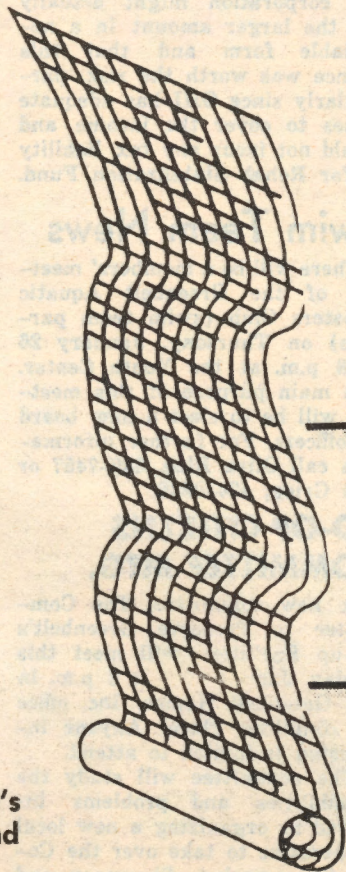
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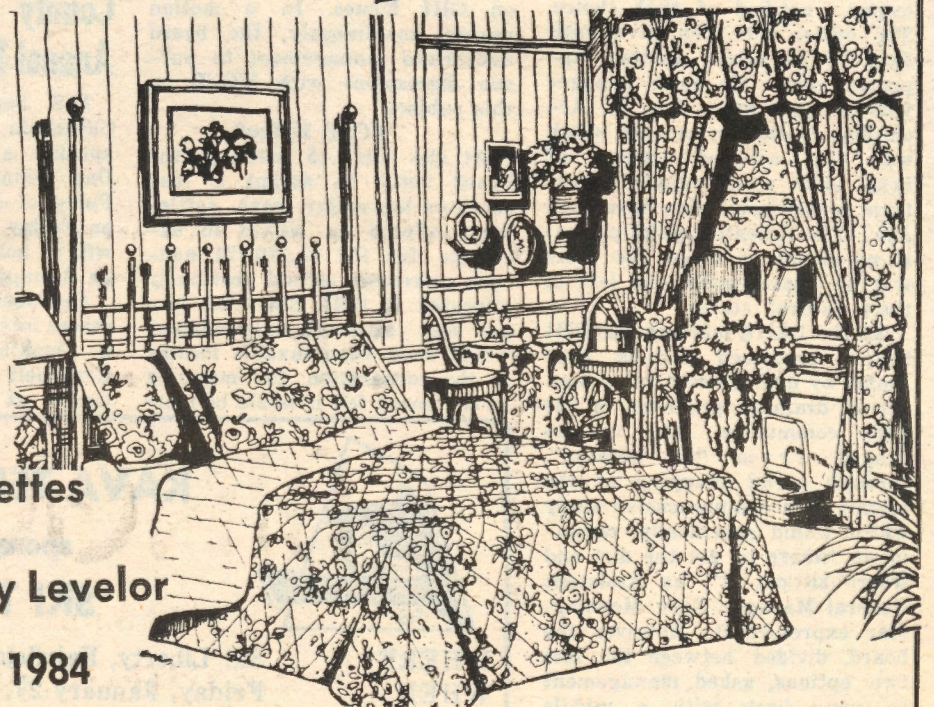
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# GHI Board Solicits Bids for Masonry Repairs; Sets Policy for Water Blasting

by Mavis Fletcher

In two December meetings held barely 10 days apart the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors settled a number of issues which had been considered earlier in the Fall. During the December 15 meeting the board, sitting as the board of directors of the Greenbelt Homes Inc. Development Corporation, authorized solicitation of bids for structural repairs to the masonry homes. This work, which involves 124 buildings, is scheduled to be completed by June 30.

In addition to the repairs, the program will involve work in 552 yards, removing and replacing shrubbery, regrading, working on gutters and downspouts, painting, pointing and tucking. In the words of General Manager Shekar Narasimhan, the program will be "a complex, tightly-scheduled and contentious undertaking." Despite the difficulties, a 7-1 majority of the board (Director Frank Gervasi opposed) felt that it was necessary to carry out the full structural repair program. The tight time frame is necessitated by the close-out of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank (NCCB) loan at the end of June.

## Paint Policy

The GHIDC board also passed final regulations regarding the waterblasting/painting policy for masonry homes. According to a motion passed unanimously, owners of block units which are not in acceptable condition or require waterblasting had until Jan. 1 to select a paint color. If no choice was made the choice will be made by the Aesthetic and Environment Committee and the owner notified of that choice. The owner will then have until Jan. 31 to select another approved color. No color changes will be made after Jan. 31. According to another motion which was also adopted, owners of brick units which require structural repair would also have until Jan. 31 to indicate a paint choice; if no choice is made the units will be waterblasted and left in their natural states.

At the Dec. 6 meeting the GHI board considered options presented by management for a survey of drainage problems in the GHI community. The options ranged from "do nothing", through aerial mapping of the terrain to a comprehensive study which would specifically recommend "where to get the dirt and where to put it", as Assistant General Manager Gary Morningstar expressed it. However the board, divided between the last two options, asked management to come back with a middle position.

Other matters dealt with by the board on Dec. 15 included authorization of expenditures in 1984 in the amount \$4,548,565, the budgeted amount for 1984 GHI operations, including payments to NCCB and HUD.

The board received a report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Moisture Problems in GHI. It recommended installation of bullet vents and pulling back insulation in all units where this work is requested, an increase in the gable vent size and installation of ridge vents in some units. The next meeting of this committee will be Monday, Jan. 16; mem-

bers are invited.

The board also received a management report on the mechanical ventilation system installed in a building in the 2 Court of Westway on a test basis. The report states that since the test began in October, no condensation has formed on the underside of the roof sheathing and mold and mildew growth appear to have been arrested.

Management proposed a package of solutions to the moisture problems so that a range of remedies could be offered to members. The package includes additional passive ventilation measures, the mechanical ventilation system and the testing of a ridge ventilation system in one building. Provisions of this package were approved by the board on a vote of 5-3, with Directors Jonn Lewis, Mark Dombrowski and Wayne Williams opposed.

Matters involving NCCB occupied the board at both December meetings. At the meeting on Dec. 6, the board approved an NCCB loan amendment reflecting the one-year extension of the construction period. The subject of unused NCCB funds, possibly totaling \$2.8 million, was also discussed. According to Narasimhan, management is seeking an arrangement whereby the NCCB lien against GHI would be reduced and NCCB would, in some form, rebate a portion of the mandatory NCCB stock purchase which GHI made. The amount of the rebate would be relative to the amount of the unused funds.

Discussions with the NCCB staff indicate that a straight rebate would be restricted by statutes and by-laws, according to Narasimhan. Therefore, GHI might be able to obtain such a rebate in the form of a new loan to a GHI subsidiary, which could use the money to finance loans on GHI homes. In a motion passed unanimously, the board authorized management to pursue discussions with NCCB on this subject.

## NCCB Refund

At the Dec. 15 meeting, the board voted to accept a ten-cents-on-the-dollar cash settlement offered by NCCB in exchange for the \$1,170,471 non-cash patronage refund previously allocated to GHI. Since the larger sum (although unspendable) would have been taxable income to the corporation, the majority of the board felt it would be more

advantageous to the corporation to accept the smaller amount (which is also taxable) and use it for the Rehab Stabilization Fund.

Two directors, Williams and Volk, dissented, expressing the opinion that, in the long term, the corporation might actually get the larger amount in a negotiable form and that this chance was worth the risk, particularly since GHI has adequate losses to cover the income and would not incur any tax liability for Rehab Stabilization Fund.

## Swim Team News

There will be a members' meeting of the Greenbelt Aquatic Boosters Club (swim team parents) on Thursday, January 26 at 8 p.m. at the Youth Center. The main purpose of this meeting will be to elect a new board of officers. For further information call Olive Blue, 345-7457 or Bob Grieg, 474-0332.

## CO-OP CITIZENS COMMITTEE MTG.

A new committee, The Committee to Preserve Greenbelt's Co-op Facilities will meet this Friday, Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. office on Hamilton Place. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

The committee will study the possibilities and problems involved in organizing a new local cooperative to take over the Co-op Supermarket, Pharmacy and Service Station.

Those who are starting the committee are Chuck Sarahan, Margaret Hogensen, Katherine Keene, Albert Herling, Eli Crupain, James Parker, Frank Gervasi, Janet Cantwell, Deborah Hartwick, Wayne Williams, Steve Curtis and Jim Cassels.

## County Republicans Hold Annual Dinner January 27

U.S. Senator Pete Wilson of California will be the guest speaker at the Annual Lincoln Day Dinner of the Republican Party of Prince Georges County on Friday, January 27. The affair will be held at La Fontaine Bleu on Annapolis Road.

Greenbelt area Republicans and others interested in buying tickets or making arrangements for Greenbelt tables may call Eunice Coxon at 345-2756



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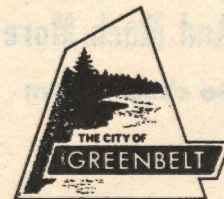
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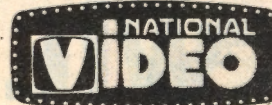


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**TEN TOP STORIES Cont. from pg. 1****COUNCIL**

Council undergoes changes beginning with Mayor Richard Castaldi's resignation to join County Council. From original half-a-dozen candidates, remaining council members narrow choice to a stalemate between Robert Zugby and Antoinette Bram, which Bram breaks by withdrawing. In September she runs in regular city election in field of eight and wins, becoming first woman since 1971 to sit on council. Incumbents Gil Weidenfeld, Richard Pilski, Ed Putens and Thomas White win reelection, Weidenfeld continuing as mayor.

**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION**

Throughout the year the city continues to worry about traffic problems as new development offers potential for greater congestion. Some developers work closely with the city (bond issue for extension of Greenway Center Drive) or County (funding for extension of Hanover Parkway) on necessary improvements. Citizens are again disappointed in request for light at Mandan Road but one is installed at a widened Beltway exit ramp to Kenilworth Avenue. The spectre of an Inter-County Connector is renewed in September at a public hearing.

Near year's end an MNCPPC traffic study, projecting congestion for Greenbelt, advises interim measures to alleviate present problems. Greenbelt requests broadened traffic study.

A Greenbelt Metro station still seems far off. In June council unanimously reaffirms its support of a Metro line to Greenbelt. In October council sees updated plans for commuter rail station (scheduled for 1986) and a Metrorail E-line station. Designs are almost complete for a Metro interim parking facility at the site. For travel within Greenbelt the 1984 budget provides for a van-bus for experimental intracity bus service.

**CO-OP FACES CLOSURE**

The Board of Directors of Greenbelt Cooperative, Inc. (GCI), parent organization of the Greenbelt Co-op food store and gas station, decided on Dec. 17 that GCI will divest itself of its money-losing supermarket and service station divisions, if possible by the end of March. The grocery store (including its pharmacy) and the Co-op gas station have been fixtures of Greenbelt life since the earliest days of the city. At year's end various groups were planning to fight the divestiture.

# How to Catch a Thief

by Virginia Beauchamp

Remember the old hue-and-cry, the posse of citizens taking out after the pickpocket? "Stop, thief! Stop thief!" they used to cry. The old tradition is alive and well in Greenbelt, it seems. And it still gets results!

I was walking up the hill from the post office on Saturday, January 14, just before noon. The sun was shining and everything around beginning to melt. (That was the morning with a great glaze of ice covering all the sidewalks and minor streets—the ones that hadn't yet been salted.) I guess I wasn't thinking of anything in particular when I heard a woman call out right behind me. Then a man ran past, and then the woman after him. I realized that she was yelling something about her purse — and sure enough, he had it swinging from his left hand. I started after her, calling in turn, when he sped down the driveway toward the Youth Center. That was, no doubt, a fatal error—just where the young and the strong usually congregate. And indeed some younger souls—healthy young men, they looked like—cut ahead of the woman and after the thief. No need for me to keep running. Perhaps if I hightailed it over to the Police Station and got some officers on the trail, the incident could end in the way we'd like to see.

I was making a mental note of the clothing the man was wearing, because I only saw his retreating back. Just then two other women and two young boys joined me. The boys said they had seen the man's face. So we all went on to turn in our report.

That appears to be easier said than done. The dispatcher was taking a call on some other matter as we ran up to her window. When she turned her attention to us, I got out about three words—then came another call for her to deal with. "I want to report a purse-snatching," I said when she finally turned to me.

"Were you the victim?" she asked.

"No, I'm a witness. We're all witnesses," I said. Then there was another phone interruption. "Wait a moment," the dispatcher said. "I'll call one of the officers."

So we started in again on our story — not quite the story we wanted to tell, as we wanted to tell it. There's a form, you know. Who are you? Where did the incident happen? What did the suspect look like? But at last we got out what seemed really relevant—the incident was still going on—or so we supposed somewhere down by the Youth Center.

Just at that moment the officer called for an officer already in a squad car to head down that way, and in the next moment a call came in from the Youth Center itself. They'd got a man down on Braden Field. Our officer took off then, in a second car, with the boys and me following on foot along the path by the swimming pool.

There he was all right—down on the snowy ground, with his hands by that time cuffed behind him. There was a small group of people standing by. Then I saw the suspect pulled to his feet and walked off between the two police officers through the wooded stretch east of the swimming pool. The officers got their man all right, but the hue-and-cry was what really got him.

That's satisfying. That's town spirit.

**Duplicate Bridge**

At Friday evening's (the 13th) Duplicate Bridge games, first place was a tie between the team of Charlotte and Harry Herlich and Ruth Schultze and Peg Wainwright. The weekly games continue on Friday nights at the Youth Center at 7:30 p.m.

**Recreation Review**

**Teen Super Bowl Dance Party**  
Greenbelt teens, 18 and under, and their guests are invited to start in on the Redskin victory spirit this weekend with a D.J. Dance and Light Show at the city's Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Friday, January 20, from 8-11 p.m.

Redskin souvenirs will be featured as door prizes; refreshments will be on sale. Music will include the sounds of "Disco Bird", Top 40's Dance Rock, R & B and Oldies But Goodies. Of course a rousing rendition of "Hail to the Redskins" can be expected, too. A minimal fee will be collected at the door.

**Late Recreation Class Registration**

There are still openings in many of the Winter classes which will begin during the week of January 23. Call the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 474-6878, for further registration information.

**Greenbelt Lake Ice Skating Report**

Due to the continued poor surface conditions and thin ice thickness over much of the Lake at the Attick Park, the city has posted NO ICE SKATING signs until future favorable conditions warrant safe participation. All skaters should keep in mind the dangers involved in ice sports. A person who falls through the ice is in danger of drowning and freezing if not cared for immediately.

**CARES Offers Classes To Prepare for G.E.D.**

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is offering people a chance to get a high school diploma. Starting February 7 CARES will be providing free classes to prepare for the General Education Development—G.E.D. Exam. Instruction will be given in the five test areas—math, social studies, science, literature and grammar, as well as test taking skills. The only requirements for enrollment are to be officially withdrawn from school and 16 years old or older.

These classes will be given Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Greenbelt CARES offices. To reserve a seat, as class size is limited, or for more information, please call Johnnie at Greenbelt CARES, 345-6660.

**Dealing with Stress**

Behavior Service Consultants, Inc. of Greenbelt and Bethesda is sponsoring a series of free monthly lectures and discussions on a variety of health topics. This month's topic, Understanding and Dealing With Stress, will be presented by Marcella G. Walder, MSW, Clinical Social Worker and staff member of Behavior Service Consultants, Inc. The program will be held on Tuesday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. at Behavior Service Consultants, Inc., 133 Centerway.

The lecture and discussions will focus on understanding different types of stress, how people are affected by it, how to identify stressors in your environment and in your relationships with other people, and the way in which one's thinking affects stress levels.

A number of techniques for dealing with stress will be presented, and there will be opportunity for questions and discussion. Advance registration is required as space is limited. An interpreter for the hearing impaired will be available on request.

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## A G E N D A

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF CITY COUNCIL****Monday, January 23, 1984****8:00 P.M.****I. ORGANIZATION**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation  
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Minutes of Council Meetings
5. Additions to Agenda by Council and Manager

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

9. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Replacement Fund in the Amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000), Thereby Making Total Replacement Fund Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1984 Amount to Eighty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$89,200), to Provide for the Purchase of a Ford LN 600D Open Body Trash Truck with an 8.2L Detroit Diesel Engine and a Snyder Body from the Replacement Reserve for Public Works Waste Collection Equipment  
- Second Reading
10. A Resolution to Amend Resolution No. 549, "A Resolution to Establish a Cable Television Public Access and Local Origination Advisory Committee" to Extend the Term of the Committee  
- Second Reading
11. Special Exception Application #856 - Revision of Site Plan Automobile Filling Station (Greenbelt Road ARCO) (Advisory Planning Board Report #315)
12. Preliminary Plan of Subdivision  
Lakeside West - Cluster Development  
(Advisory Planning Board Report #316)
13. Drainage on Greenhill Road

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

14. Board and Committee Appointments
15. Preliminary Plan of Subdivision  
Northridge - Parcel 4  
(Advisory Planning Board Report)

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda - subject to change.



## CO-OP Continued from page 1

employees. Still Al Herling wondered "why, when the operation was about to turn around to the break-even point, it becomes necessary to get rid of it?" Lillian Martin, a Co-op employee, explained that the employees had made concessions because it was a co-op. She added that, "We have someone operating those stores now who can make it work."

Gauci stated that the consultants hired by GCI saw "no trend in the foreseeable future to turn the stores around." GCI Director Bruce Bowman admitted that the Greenbelt store was one of two stores near the break-even point, but he explained that GCI couldn't make a distinction. He asserted that the main problem with the store is the way people use it as merely a convenience store. Katherine Keene took exception to this, pointing out that a tremendous number of people walk to the store. She, herself, had walked to the store the last four days in a row, buying only as much as she could carry each time. She vehemently stated, "I'm tired of hearing that this store is a flop because the average purchase is \$8.00."

Competition for SCAN was given as the reason for this divestiture. The grocery stores built SCAN, noted Herling, and "Now the mother of Co-op is to be sacrificed for the sake of its children." John Ward found himself disturbed by the use of certain concepts, especially the concept of corporation. He noted,

"It's true GCI is a corporation, but it's not a profit-making corporation." He also felt the use of statistics was misleading because an average purchase at SCAN would always be higher than one at the supermarket. His belief that a decision to sell SCAN rather than the grocery stores and gas stations would cause no uproar was met with applause. "There's nothing morally wrong with SCAN supporting the food organization — this is a co-op," added Herling later in the evening. Amberg felt the effort to prevent divestiture was the most important task since the grocery business does operate on a tighter margin than the furniture business.

John Webb, former GCI board member, confessed himself lost in trying to understand the actions of the present GCI board of directors. He asked about the possibility of returning stock to members so it could be used to support a new cooperative. This suggestion led to a series of questions about the percentage of Greenbelt membership in GCI. Richard Bates began these as he said, "I'd like to hear more about the option to secede from the union and take our co-op with us." Gauci explained that 5% of GCI members are part of the Greenbelt area council which is an area wider than Greenbelt that includes Bowie. These members hold about 8% of the GCI member equity. Bowman added that because of SEC regulations GCI couldn't repay all the stock at this

time or pick a particular group to repay. Gauci chose to answer the members' concern about buying the co-op back from themselves by noting that the store now belongs to 75,000 members, not just the original founders.

Jim Giese, who confessed that he waited until membership was \$1.00 before joining, asked Gauci more pointedly about the amount of actual stock owned by Greenbelt area members. Gauci answered that it was about \$163,000 out of \$2.2 million. In reply to how many SCAN members purchased actual stock, Gauci felt it was probably not many because GCI stopped selling stock about 10 years ago. Finally, Giese asked about the purpose of a co-op and wondered, "Shouldn't we go out of business because we're not successful in providing the service that we were established to provide?"

Joe Timer used the old saying, "Don't put all your eggs in one basket," to summarize his views. As a Greenbelter first and a GCI member second, he felt it was important to have contingency plans to influence the right grocery store to move into the center which would lose its anchor tenant if the grocery store left. Ruth Mathes, Dave Lange and Steve Curtis also focused on the need for a food facility in the center. Offering county support, County Councilman Richard Castaldi said what many felt, "Another crisis upon us; first the theater, then the post office and now the Co-op."

incorrect. According to Giese, the proper term is "carved stone reliefs."

### Around the Town

White asked Giese for status reports on the plan to set up some form of intracity bus service, and on improvement of the Attick Park entranceway. Giese briefly outlined his attempts to evaluate the type of bus needed and to find a used bus. He voiced the feeling that the present threat to continued existence of the Co-op grocery store might force the city to give priority to providing bus service. White restated the perspective as of last year's budget considerations: to make a moderate beginning (costing no more than \$15,000 to \$20,000 initially), with service that would be self-supporting as well as being capable of meeting some "demand" uses.

Street work designs for the lake park entrance are almost completed, Giese reported, but no landscape plan has yet been prepared. Giese reminded council that money for this improvement is included in the present budget.

Dave Lange, President of Lakeside Citizens Association, told council of roadway icing problems at three locations along Lakeside Drive, and asked for city assistance. Giese said he was aware of the problems. He explained that they differ somewhat from the icing problem on Greenhill Road in the Lakewood subdivision. Both involve runoff from springs, and the streets in both cases were built to older design standards. On Greenhill, a new storm drain is needed to catch the runoff. But on Lakeside, the water moves to existing drains too slowly and freezes along the way. Giese said he was not sure how easily a solution could be found to the Lakeside problem.

Giese also informed council that although he had not yet received a formal decision from Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission about bearing the cost of the new Greenhill drain, he had

thorough evaluation of what further development might conceivably be attempted at Beltway Plaza, what requirements the owner might have to meet or improvements the owner might have to make before such development could take place, and what rights and legal remedies the city might have in attempting to control such development. White termed his proposal an effort to get the city ahead of the Plaza people before more "holes appear in the ground." He expressed the hope of avoiding overdevelopment of the property. White suggested that the city might need to hire a specialist, such as a zoning attorney, to help accomplish this evaluation. Other councilmembers voiced agreement with White, with Councilmember Antoinette Bram commenting, "When you have a serious disease, you call in a specialist. I think Beltway Plaza is a serious disease." It was agreed that city staff and the Advisory Planning Board would start this project and would inform council if an outside specialist seems needed.

### Historical Recognitions

Frank Gervasi proposed to council that the city erect a statue of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, perhaps on the hill overlooking the Center. He suggested that it might be possible to find federal and state sources of funding to help finance such a statue. Gervasi also proposed that Lenore Thomas, artist for the Mother and Child statue in the mall and for the carvings on the front wall of Center School, be honored with historical markers at both locations. Council agreed that Gervasi's proposals should be referred to the city's Fiftieth Anniversary Committee, with the city's Park and Recreation Advisory Board also being consulted about the statue.

City Manager James K. Giese told council that previous references to the symbolic representations on the Center School wall as "bas-reliefs" or "friezes" were

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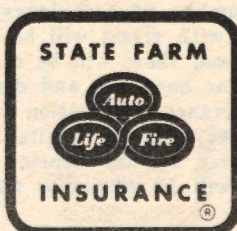
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# Archeological Survey Results Expected Soon on BARC Land

by Peter Durantine and Virginia Beachaump

Preliminary reports are expected soon on the results of an archeological survey of that section of the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) which has been declared surplus by the federal government. The survey, which has been conducted by the Mid-Atlantic Archeological Research Corporation, a New Jersey firm, has looked for fossils, artifacts, and evidence of Indian occupation on the property.

Field work in the survey has already been completed, with a final report due in February 1984. The report will be sent to the General Services Administration (GSA), which commissioned the study. According to GSA regulations, a 90-day archeological exploration is required to determine any possible historic value of a property before it is put up for sale. Following the results of the survey, a determination will be made by GSA on what to do with the so-called surplus acreage.

According to Barney Maltby of Direct Disposal, a branch of GSA located in Atlanta, Georgia: "It all depends on what is found" that will determine the disposition of the land. If items of historic value are found and can be removed safely, then the land might be used for government buildings. If what is found cannot be removed, then actions would be taken by the state and Advisory Council of Preservation to see what laws could be used to preserve the land's historic value.

## History of BARC Disposal Effort

For almost a year the city government, as well as county, state, and Congressional representatives, have been watching with concern the effort by GSA to sell off 260 acres of the BARC property. The move began last January with an evaluation of the 7,000-acre center by a special GSA survey team, to determine if the land was being properly utilized and if it should be sold to other federal agencies or to state and local governments or be auctioned off to private developers.

This followed an earlier review, in 1978-79. GSA proposed at that time that 3,390 acres of the 8,220-acre Beltsville facility should be declared surplus. But on October 3 of that year, GSA accepted the Department of Agriculture's compromise, reducing to 1,050 the acres to be declared surplus.

Of these, 350 acres were turned over to the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, and 500 to 600 acres to the Goddard Space Flight Center. Neither facility made any change in the basic undeveloped character of the land. A small amount was later given up for use by the Secret Service.

After the 1983 declaration of intent to sell off another 260 acres, the Greenbelt city council, on January 24, directed the mayor to write a letter to Senators

Charles McC. Mathias and Paul S. Sarbanes and to Congressman Steny Hoyer, expressing the city's opposition to the sale. The letter reiterated a conclusion that had been reached in earlier studies — "that it would be far more costly to relocate the research center operations to another facility location than the government would receive from the sale of the land."

## Opposition Intensifies

Within a short time, other opponents of the BARC sale made known their views. An early action was that taken by State Senator Leo Green, who introduced a resolution in the Maryland General Assembly urging President Reagan, the Congress, and the federal agencies involved not to offer for sale the two BARC parcels. Senator Arthur Dorman was co-sponsor of the resolution.

At the national level, Senators Mathias and Sarbanes introduced a bill to block the sale, lease or conveyance of the 260 acres. Congressman Hoyer drafted similar legislation. The Senate bill specified 260 acres, including a 247-acre wooded parcel in the northern part of BARC, west of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, and a 13-acre parcel north of the National Agricultural Library on Route 1. The House bill added a further 5.6 acres adjacent to the Sunnyside neighborhood park, on Rhode Island Ave. just north of the Beltway.

Also in March, the Greenbelt City Council endorsed the provisions of a draft plan by the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) to "establish federal planning policies and recommendations related to open space and natural features" within the National Capital Region. Greenbelt is part of that Region, and the draft plan included recommendations that would limit changes in Greenbelt Park, the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC), and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

The draft plan stated that BARC's open space qualities should be retained by limiting building development and employment density. In the words of the plan, "... any future development will acknowledge BARC's open space qualities and make efforts to sustain this important characteristic along with the additional development." BARC is identified in the draft as a vital part of the green wedge for this part of the Region.

# Go Barefoot at the Utopia

by Kenny Holl

Neil Simon's delightful comedy, "Barefoot in the Park," opens at the Cultural Arts Center Friday, January 20, at 8:15 p.m. under the direction of long-time Greenbelt resident Judith Holland.

Scheduled to run Friday and Saturday evenings through February 4, the popular play will also be presented at a Sunday matinee, January 29 at 2:30 p.m.

Besides Director Holland, four of the players are Greenbelters: Lauren Ethel Reith, Mike Katz, Mary Yurkovich and Kenny Holl. Judy Holland is well known to Utopia Theater audiences for her appearances in "Night Watch," "Odd Couple," "Mamma," and "Dr. Cook's Garden." She has also appeared with the Maryland Traveling Repertory Theater. Lauren and Mike are making their Utopia debut. Mary and Jeff Beyrent (last seen in "Lion in Winter") are making their seventh Utopia appearance.

The play follows Simon's time-proven formula of placing two totally dissimilar characters in an impossible situation. A young, newly-wed couple have just moved into their New York apartment. They are confronted not only by their differing attitudes but by the zany behavior of her mother and their "wild" neighbor.

To find out what happens next, come to the Utopia Theater. For particulars, call 474-7763 or see advertisement elsewhere in this paper.



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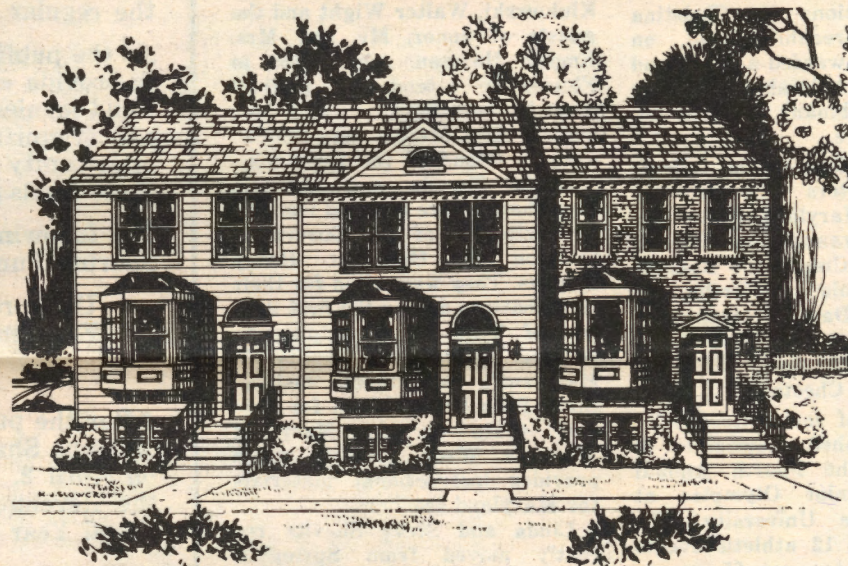
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1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Membership Applications
3. Visitors & Members
4. Manager
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In order for GHI to advise the contractors of any defects that may be covered under the warranty, it is important that you advise us of any problems you may be experiencing with any of the phase II rehab work.

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## Our Neighbors

by Eileen Peterson  
345-2454

Shirley Hibbs of Lakeside Drive learned, the sad way, that frozen water is hard. She slipped on Monday's ice and snow and broke her right wrist. We wish her a speedy healing and husband Ray and four sons good luck with the cooking.

Sorry to hear that John Murray, one of Greenbelt's first citizens, has not been well. He and wife "Teddy" now live at 1750 South Price Road, Apt. 155, Tempe, Arizona, having moved from Greenbelt last year.

Corrine and John Comulada, former Parkway Road residents until their move to Frederick, have received a letter from Lech Walesa in response to one they wrote him congratulating him on winning the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize. He told them that their letter had raised his morale, and that winning the prize would help the Solidarity movement.

Gladys Long, a Gardenway resident from October 1937 until the mid-50's when she and husband Joseph moved to Florida, is back in Greenbelt at 8 Parkway Road and welcomes visitors and phone calls.

Congratulations to Christina McCarthy, Greenhill Road, on having been awarded a Maryland Senatorial scholarship for her present (freshman) year at St. Mary's College.

Congratulations to the following Greenbelters who recently passed the Maryland State Bar Association examination: John T. Ward, 46 Crescent; Roberta ("Bobbi") Bole McCarthy, 65 Court Ridge; David P. Henninger, 1 Court Westway; Mary Ianni Scherstrom, 22 Court Hillside; and Mark L. Chester.

A number of senior Greenbelters distinguished themselves in October at the Fourth Annual Maryland Senior Olympics at Towson State University. The meet featured 12 athletic events for participants over 55 years-of-age. More than 500 people competed, and a tip of the hat to the five from our city who brought back awards.

Greenbelt residents and their medals are listed as follows:

Harvey Geller, Northway: Aquatics — 100-yd. breast-stroke (bronze); Track — 1.5-mile walk (gold); Track — broad jump (gold); Gertrude Law, 5 Gardenway: Basketball (bronze); Track — broad jump (gold); Leonie

## Fishing Show at Armory

The 9th Annual Anglers Unlimited Fishing Show will be held at the Greenbelt Armory from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, January 29. In addition to exhibits of boats, fishing tackle, and fishing accessories, the show will also offer demonstrations of various methods of fishing and continuous films concerning the types of fishing in the central Atlantic area.

Gene Mueller, a freelance outdoors writer for the Washington Post, will be master of ceremonies. There will be an admission charge, with 25% of the net profits being donated to Children's Hospital. Various types of fishing tackle will be for sale.

Penney, Northway: Track — 1.5-mile walk (bronze); Rebecca Soule, Empire Place: Basketball (gold); Track — 1.5-mile walk (silver); and Esther Yalowitz, 11 Court Laurel Hill: Aquatics — 100-yd. back-stroke (silver); 100-yd. free-stroke (silver), and 200-yd. free-stroke (gold).

A reunion of former Boxwood residents was held recently at the new home of Tom and Shirley Merideth in Palm Coast, Fla. Among those present were Hubert and Key Smith, Bob and Billie Richstatter, Ed and Marion Klukowski, Walter Wight and the guests of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Harman, who were in Florida to attend the football game between Maryland and Tennessee. Also present was "Spud" Clay, a friend of the Harmans.

Linda Shevitz and Virginia Beauchamp were honored recently as recipients of the Governor's Citation by Governor Harry Hughes. They were cited for their contributions during the first decade of Title IX in helping to achieve greater sex equity in Maryland's educational institutions. Both have worked for several years on the Maryland Women's Week project, which provides instructional materials for Maryland teachers.

Linda and Steve Shevitz recently moved from Springhill Lake to a new home in Windsor Green.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### PROPOSED USES FOR REVENUE SHARING FUND AND ALL OTHER CITY FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1984/85

Federal Regulations require the City Manager to hold a public hearing on Proposed Uses for Revenue Sharing Fund monies for the next fiscal year (July 1, 1984 through June 30, 1985). Such a hearing is scheduled for

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1984 - 8:00 P.M.**

in the  
Council Room, Municipal Building  
25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland.

The public hearing will be conducted as the first item of business on the agenda of the regular meeting of the City Council.

At the public hearing, all citizens of Greenbelt, Maryland, shall have an opportunity to provide written and/or oral comments on the possible uses of Revenue Sharing Fund monies, as well as the uses of all other funds to be budgeted. Senior Citizens and organizations representing the interests of senior citizens will be given every opportunity to be heard and to present their views regarding the allocation of these funds prior to final allocation.

The following amounts are estimated to be available for allocation in the Revenue Sharing Fund during the coming fiscal year:

Unappropriated Balance Fiscal Year 1984	\$ 7,700
Entitlement Payments Fiscal Year 1985	82,500
	<u>\$90,200</u>

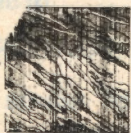
After the public hearing, the City Manager will prepare his budget proposal for Revenue Sharing Funds and all other city funds for submission to the City Council on April 2, 1984. Subsequently, the City Council will conduct a public hearing on the Revenue Sharing budget and all other city budgets prior to adoption of the Fiscal Year 1984/85 budget.

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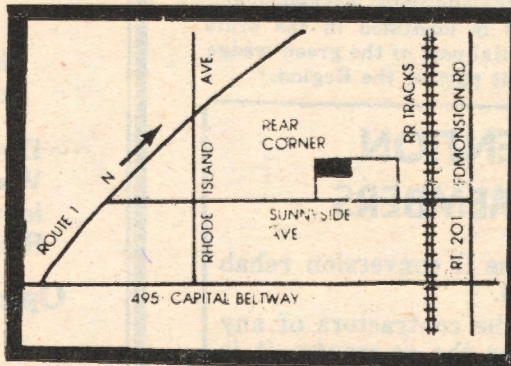
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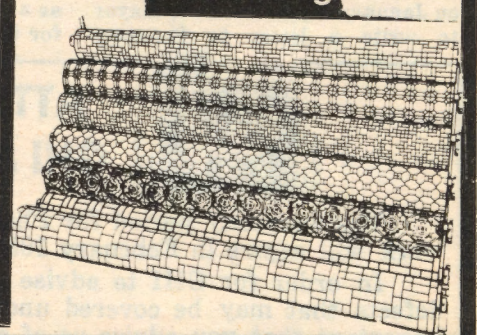
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# Hoyer Staff Field Questions As House Vote Delays Boss

by Carol Hoxie

Nearly 50 people gathered at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 8, at the Greenbelt Municipal Building to meet with 5th District representative, Steny Hoyer. He never arrived. His staff explained Hoyer was tied up in a House session and that the final vote wouldn't be taken until 9 p.m.. This is the first time in two and a half years that this had happened, his staff said.

Hoyer's staff decided to answer as many questions as possible for those Greenbelt area residents who were present. A panel of five answered questions submitted in writing on a wide range of topics.

The major topics discussed included: cost of living adjustments, rising telephone rates, proposed legislation for a pay-for-performance plan for government workers, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC). Grenada, Medicare, the Civil Rights Commission, the Prince Georges County Metro, the Inter-County Connector, and troops in Lebanon.

Staffmember Mary Sue Hafner said that under the new Social Security law, cost of living adjustments (COLAs) will be postponed until January 1, 1984. They will be done once every year thereafter.

Clarence Norman, another Hoyer staffmember, explained what is being done about increases in telephone rates. In January 1984, when AT&T begins divesting itself of 22 local operating companies, it plans to charge residential and business users a \$2 monthly access fee (for access to long distance lines), Norman said.

However, three weeks ago, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) informed the public that implementation of the \$2 fee (which may eventually increase) will not occur until April 1984. Now a controversial bill is on the floor of the Senate that prohibits the fee. Norman said he believes Hoyer will support those parts of the equivalent House bill that will provide relief for low-income and retired persons.

Sherry Conway, special assistant to Hoyer, said the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) on March 30, 1983 proposed changes in the way federal employees will be paid, hired, fired and retired. She said the Civil Service Act of 1978 called for a pay-for-performance bill. In July 1983, she said, Hoyer blocked the proposed regulations. She said Hoyer feels a major problem with the regulations is that no testing program is planned. Hoyer proposed a test group of 100,000 people before the bill goes into effect government-wide.

Nothing new was discussed on BARC. Staffmember Jesse Jacobs said Hoyer still opposes any development of the 260 acres of property that has been declared excess by the federal government. Hoyer may introduce legislation to prevent General Services Administration from developing the area. Jacobs said zoning laws in Prince Georges County have kept it a green space. Any zoning changes would rest ultimately with the County Council.

## Grenada

Hafner said that Hoyer's first reaction to the Grenada invasion was surprise. She said Hoyer's main concerns are security of Americans there and restoration of normalcy. She added that Hoyer will be anxious to hear the results of the fact-finding mission. The House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved reinstatement of the War Powers Act that requires Reagan to bring

the troops out of Grenada in 60 days, Hafner said. He can keep them there an additional 30 days, if need be. Quite a bit of difference of opinion on this topic was discussed between some Greenbelt residents at the meeting and Hoyer's staff.

Norman said Hoyer is absolutely against raising the age for Medicare to 67.

Norman explained that a bill is in Congress that will provide \$11 million for continuation of the Civil Rights Commission. We can assume it will continue to exist. He pointed out, however, that we may get a commission selected by a President whose civil rights record is not what we want it to be.

Hoyer's staff said he supports a metro subway system. Hoyer sees it as an economic stimulus that cuts down on commuter traffic and helps elderly, retired residents get around. However, specific alignments of where to put the Green Line are up to county officials.

The proposed inter-county connector will be debated in upcoming state legislative sessions. Hoyer's staff said. A state highway study recommended the project. However, the state secretary of transportation must make the final decision.

Hafner said Hoyer believes we will have to examine whether our troops should stay in Lebanon as part of a multinational peace-keeping force. She said, "Is there any peace to keep?" This topic aroused strong feelings from some people present and there was considerable discussion.

By 8:30 p.m. half of the original crowd had left the meeting, after learning that Hoyer was definitely not coming. His staff said that the meeting would be rescheduled for some time after the holidays.

Anyone needing help or requiring information can call his district office in New Carrollton at 436-5511.

## Need Children Volunteers

Research specialists at Children's Hospital National Medical Center are looking for volunteers to participate in a new treatment program to improve child behavior at home and in school.

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For further information, please contact Dr. Sandra Kronsberg, Project Coordinator, at (202) 745-3247 or 745-3293.

## Soccer Uniforms

Final turn-in for all soccer uniforms will be held Monday, January 23 at the youth center from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. All uniforms and equipment must be turned in at this time. Team pictures will also be distributed at this time. All coaches must turn in all uniforms, first aid kits and soccer balls so that preparations may be made for spring soccer. Bills will be sent to those families who have not yet returned any city or club property by February 1. Those wishing to make alternate arrangements may call 345-6081.

## Busser-Biker Committee

An ad-hoc busser-biker committee is being formed to work with the staff of the BWI airport limo to establish mutually beneficial guidelines. In the past, according to the staff, there have been difficulties in transporting the bikes on their busses. Anyone who has taken this bus which runs between the Capitol Hilton and the airport, stopping in Greenbelt, please call Alexander E. Barnes at 389-2184 (days) or 474-5310.



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Individuals interested in occasional door-to-door deliveries of information handouts are wanted by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI). GHI anticipates several deliveries in the upcoming weeks. An updated roster of interested delivery people is needed. Anyone interested in this work should write a note including their phone number to Member Services Coordinator Maureen Osborne, GHI, Hamilton Place, Greenbelt, MD 20770 (474-6644).

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## Fire & Rescue Review

by F/F Bill Rowland, Jr.

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad responded to 23 emergency calls for the second week of 1984. Those calls included two natural gas leaks, one vehicle fire, one call for spilled gasoline, and 18 rescue squad calls involving various illnesses and injuries.

### Natural Gas Leaks

The fire department responds to numerous calls involving the leakage of natural gas, especially in apartment buildings in and around Greenbelt. If at any time someone smells natural gas, the emergency number 911 should be called. The fire department has equipment to determine if an emergency exists and is prepared to handle such situations.

### Training

The fire department and rescue squad offers many different training classes to its volunteer members. This is necessary to keep up with modern-day fire service problems resulting from new building construction, and also allows members to become familiar with advances in fire and rescue technology.

Courses in Basic Firefighting are available for newer members through the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute located at the University of Maryland. Courses are also offered that prepare members for such problems as

hazardous material incidents and special fires. Emergency medical technician training, training in fireground tactics and operation of fire pumps, and other short courses, seminars and meetings are also available.

In addition, in-station classes are held that instruct members in properly performing C.P.R. and American Red Cross first aid, which is required for all members. The fire department also goes to various training sites and practices with the equipment and tools of the trade.

### Emergency Numbers

There is one very important number all residents should know and a very important one that the fire and rescue services should know.

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A 1979 Z28 Chevrolet was re-

ported stolen from the parking lot in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace on January 12. The car is a 2-door, white with red and orange stripes, Md. tag DXA 106.

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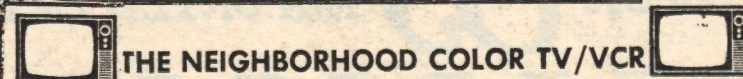
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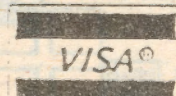
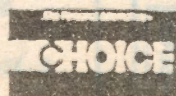
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